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[Claim 2]

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[Claim 3]

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[Claim 5]

Manufacturing method for the preparation of a diffraction lattice according to the above described Claims from 1 to 4, characterized by the fact that as the coating method spin-coating is used.

[Detailed description of the invention]

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[Technological sphere of application]

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[Measures in order to solve the problems]

According to the manufacturing method of the present invention, in order to solve the above described problems, it is a manufacturing method for the preparation of a polymer layer where polymer layers with different refractive indices are laminated and where at least in one part the thickness of the space between the layers is different. And in this method, as the coating methods, spin-coating method is used and the layer thickness control is accomplished by the change in the viscosity of the coating solution and the number of revolutions per minute (rpm) during the spin coating process. Because of that, the diffraction coefficient and the diffraction wavelength, can be set freely by varying the polymer layer thickness, the number of the laminated layers, the difference between the refraction coefficients. And it is a very simple, for the manufacturing of diffraction lattices with a wide range of applications.

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Consequently, if the structure of the diffraction lattice is formed as a layer with a high refraction coefficient and a layer with a low refraction coefficient are laminated opposite to each other, at this time, by manufacturing several types of layers that have different lattice space pitch d , it is possible to realize a diffraction of different wavelength light. And it is possible to widen the diffraction wavelength range of one diffraction lattice.

[0007]

If we are to explain an example in more detail, in the case when the average refractive coefficient is 1.5, as it is shown in the sectional view diagram in Figure 1, for example, 5 combinations of a 0.13 micron thick high refraction coefficient polymer layer 1 ($nd = 1.59$) and the same thickness, low refraction coefficient polymer layer 2 ($nd = 1.41$) are laminated; and after that 5 combinations of 0.14 micron thick high refraction coefficient polymer layer 3 ($nd = 1.59$) and the same thickness low refraction coefficient polymer layer 4 ($nd = 1.41$) are laminated; and the layer lamination is repeated as the thickness is progressively increased, and 5 combinations of 0.67 micron thick high refraction coefficient polymer layer 5 ($nd = 1.59$) and the same thickness low refraction coefficient polymer layer 6 ($nd = 1.41$) are laminated and the diffraction lattice 10, is manufactured. The film thickness of this film 10, became 70 microns, as calculated according to the following calculations:

[0008]

$$0.13 \times 2 \times 5 + 0.14 \times 2 \times 5 + \dots + 0.67 \times 2 \times 5 = 70 \text{ microns}$$

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[0009]

As methods in order to obtain such a layered structure, different coating processes can be considered, like, roll coating, gravure coating, die coating, spray coating, blade coating, spin coating etc., and each of this coating processes can be appropriately used in the present invention. Among those, as an especially preferred coating method, there is the spin coating method where the layer thickness control is 0.01 micron units, and also it is a very strict control.

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polyvinylhexylether	1.4591
poly(4-methy-1-pentene)	1.459 ~ 1.465
cellulose acetate butylate	1.46 ~ 1.49
poly(4-fluoro-2-trifluoromethylstyrene)	1.46
polyvinyloctylether	1.4613
poly(vinyl 2-ethylhexylether)	1.4626
polyvinyldecylether	1.4628
poly(2-methoxyethylacrylate)	1.463
polybutylacrylate	1.4631
polybutylacrylate	1.466
poly(t-butylmethacrylate)	~ 1.4638
polyvinyldodecylether	1.4640
poly (3-ethoxypropylacrylate)	1.465
polyoxycarbonyltetramethylene	1.465
polyvinylpropionate	1.4665
polyvinylacetate	1.4665
polyvinylmethylether	1.467
polyethylacrylate	1.4685
ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer (80 % ~ 20 % vinylacetate)	1.47 ~ 1.50
cellulose propionate	1.47 ~ 1.49
cellulose acetate propionate	1.47
benzylcellulose	1.47 ~ 1.58
phenol formaldehyde resin	1.47 ~ 1.70
cellulose triacetate	1.47 ~ 1.48
polyvinylmethylether (isotactic)	1.4700
poly (3-methoxypropylacrylate)	1.471
poly(2-ethoxyethylacrylate)	1.471
polymethylacrylate	1.472 ~ 1.480
polyisopropylmethacrylate	1.4728
poly (1-decene)	1.4730
polypropylene (atactic, density 0.8575 g/cm ³)	1.4735
poly(vinyl sec-butylether) (isotactic)	1.4740
polydodecylmethacrylate	1.4740
polyoxyethyleneoxysuccinoyl (polyethylenesuccinate)	1.4744
polytetradecylmethacrylate	1.4746
ethylene - propylene copolymer material (EPR rubber)	1.4748 ~ 1.48
polyhexadecylmethacrylate	1.4750
polyvinylformate	1.4757
poly(2-fluoroethylmethacrylate)	1.4768
polyisobutylmethacrylate	1.477
ethyl cellulose	1.479
polyvinylacetal	1.48 ~ 1.50

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cellulose tripropionate	1.48 ~ 1.49
polyoxymethylene	1.48
polyvinylbutyral	1.48 ~ 1.49
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poly (n-butylmethacrylate)	1.483
polyethylidenedimethacrylate	1.4831
poly (2-ethoxyethylmethacrylate)	1.4833
polyoxyethyleneoxymaleoyl (polyethylene maleate)	1.4840
poly (n-propylmethacrylate)	1.484
poly (3, 3, 5-trimethylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.485
polyethylmethacrylate	1.485
poly(2-nitro-2-methylpropylmethacrylate)	1.4868
polytriethylcarbinylmethacrylate	1.4889
poly (1,1'-diethylpropylmethacrylate)	1.4889
polymethylmethacrylate	1.4893
	1.490
poly (2-decyl-1,3-butadiene)	1.4899
polyvinyl alcohol	1.49 ~ 1.53
polyethylglycolate methacrylate	1.4903
poly (3-methylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.4947
poly(cyclohexyl alpha-ethoxyacrylate)	1.4969
methylcellulose (low density)	1.497
poly(4-methylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.4975
polydecamethyleneglycoldimethacrylate	1.4990
polyurethane	1.5 ~ 1.6
poly (1,2-butadiene)	1.5000
polyvinylformal	1.50
poly (2-bromo-4-trifluoromethylstyrene)	1.5
cellulose nitrate	1.50 ~ 1.514
poly (sec-butyl alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.500
poly (2-heptyl-1,3-butadiene)	1.5000
poly (ethyl-alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.502
poly (2-isopropyl- 1,3-butadiene)	1.5028
poly (2-methylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5028
polypropylene(density 0.9075 g/cm3)	1.5030
polyisobutene	1.505 ~ 1.51
polyborunylmethacrylate	1.5059
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polyethyleneglycoldimethacrylate	1.5063
polycyclohexylmethacrylate	1.5066
poly (cyclohexanediol -1,4-dimethacrylate)	1.5067
butyl rubber (not vulcanized)	1.508
polytetrahydrofurfurylmethacrylate)	1.5096
gudaperca (beta)	1.509

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polyethylene ionomer	1.51
polyoxyethylene (high molecular weight)	1.51 ~ 1.54
polyethylene (density 0.914 g/cm3)	1.51
(density 0.94 ~ 0.945 g/cm3)	1.52 ~ 1.53
(density 0.965 g/cm3)	1.545
poly (1-methylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5111
poly (2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate)	1.5119
polyvinylchloroacetate	1.512
polybutene (isotactic)	1.5125
polyvinylmethacrylate	1.5129
poly (N-butyl-methacrylamide)	1.5135
gutaperca (alpha)	1.514
terpenic resin	1.515
poly (1,3-butadiene)	1.5154
shelac	1.51 ~ 1.53
poly (methyl alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.517
poly (2-chloroethylmethacrylate)	1.517
poly (2-diethylaminoethylmethacrylate)	1.5174
poly (2-chlorocyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5179
poly (1,3-butadiene) (35 % cis; 56 % trans; 7 %, 2- contet)	1.5180
natural rubber	1.519 ~ 1.52
polyallylmethacrylate	1.5196
polyvinyl chloride + 40 % octylphthalate	1.52
polyacrylonitrile	1.52
polymethacrylonitrile	1.52
poly (1, 3-butadiene) (sic type rich)	1.52
butadiene - acrylonitrile copolymer material	1.52
polymethylisopropenyl ketone	1.5200
polyisoprene	1.521
Polyester resin rigid (approximately 50 % styrene)	1.523 ~ 1.54
poly (N- (2-methoxyethyl)methacrylamide)	1.5246
poly (2,3-dimethylbutadiene) (methyl rubber)	1.525
vinyl chloride - vinyl acetate copolymer material (95/5 ~ 90/10)	1.525 ~ 1.535
Polyacrylic azide	1.527
Poly (1,3-dichloropropylmethacrylate)	1.5270
Poly (2-chloro-1- (chloromethyl) ethylmethacrylate)	1.5270
Polyacroleine	1.529
Poly (1-vinyl -2- pyrrolidone)	1.53
hydrochloric acid reacted rubber	1.53 ~ 1.55
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block copolymer	
Poly (cyclohexyl alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.532

poly (2-chloroethyl alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.533	
butadiene-styrene copolymer material (approximately 75/25)	1.535	
poly (2-aminoethylmethacrylate)	1.537	
polyfurfurylmethacrylate	1.5381	
protein	1.539 ~ 1.541	
polybutylmercaptymethacrylate	1.5390	
poly (1-phenyl-n-amylmethacrylate)	1.5396	
poly (N-methyl-methacrylamide)	1.5398	
cellulose	1.54	
polyvinylchloride	1.54 ~ 1.55	
urea- formaldehyde resin	1.54 ~ 1.56	
poly (sec-butyl alpha-bromoacrylate)	1.542	
poly (cyclohexyl alpha-bromoacrylate)	1.542	
poly (2-bromoethylmethacrylate)	1.5426	
polydihydroabietic acid	1.544	
polyabietic acid	1.546	
polyethylmercaptymethacrylate	1.547	
poly (N-allylmethacrylamide)	1.5476	
poly (1-phenylethylmethacrylate)	1.5487	
polyvinylfuran	1.55	
poly (2-vinyltetrahydrofuran)	1.55	
poly (vinyl chloride) + 40 % tricrezyl phosphate	1.55	
epoxy resin	1.55 ~ 1.60	
poly (p-methoxybenzylmethacrylate)	1.552	
polyisopropylmethacrylate	1.552	
poly (p-isopropylstyrene)	1.554	
polychloroprene	1.554 ~ 1.558	
poly (oxyethylene-alpha-benzoate-	-methacrylate)	1.555
poly (p,p'-xylenyldimethacrylate)	1.5559	
poly (1-phenylallylmethacrylate)	1.5573	
poly(p-cyclohexylphenylmethacrylate)	1.5575	
poly (2-phenylethylmethacrylate)	1.5592	
poly (oxycarbonyloxy -1,4-phenylene-1-propyl-butylidene		
1,4-phenylene)	1.5602	
poly (1-(o-chlorophenyl)ethylmethacrylate)	1.5624	
styrene - anhydrous maleic acid copolymer material	1.564	
poly (1-phenylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5645	
poly (oxycarbonyloxy-1,4-phenylene 1,3-dimethyl-		
butylidene - 1,4-phenylene)	1.5671	
poly (methyl alpha - bromoacrylate)	1.5672	
polybenzylmethacrylate	1.5680	
poly (2-(phenylsulfonyl)ethylmethacrylate)	1.5682	
poly(m-crezylmethacrylate)	1.5683	
styrene - acrylonitrile copolymer material (approximately 75/25)	1.57	
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poly (1-methylcyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5111
poly (2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate)	1.5119
polyvinylchloroacetate	1.512
polybutene (isotactic)	1.5125
polyvinylmethacrylate	1.5129
poly (N-butyl-methacrylamide)	1.5135
gutaperca (alpha)	1.514
terpenic resin	1.515
poly (1,3-butadiene)	1.5154
shelac	1.51 ~ 1.53
poly (methyl alpha-chloroacrylate)	1.517
poly (2-chloroethylmethacrylate)	1.517
poly (2-diethylaminoethylmethacrylate)	1.5174
poly (2-chlorocyclohexylmethacrylate)	1.5179
poly (1,3-butadiene) (35 % cis; 56 % trans; 7 %, 2- contet)	1.5180
natural rubber	1.519 ~ 1.52
polyallylmethacrylate	1.5196
polyvinyl chloride + 40 % octylphthalate	1.52
polyacrylonitrile	1.52
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poly (1, 3-butadiene) (sic type rich)	1.52
butadiene - acrylonitrile copolymer material	1.52
polymethylisopropenyl ketone	1.5200
polyisoprene	1.521
polyester resin rigid (approximately 50 % styrene)	1.523 ~ 1.54
poly (N- (2-methoxyethyl)methacrylamide)	1.5246
poly (2,3-dimethylbutadiene) (methyl rubber)	1.525
vinyl chloride - vinyl acetate copolymer material (95/5 ~ 90/10)	1.525 ~ 1.535
polyacrylic azide	1.527
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polystyrene	1.59 ~ 1.592
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polyvinylidene chloride	1.60 ~ 1.63
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In this case, by using spin coating, the above described material is coated at the desired thickness, and after that it is irradiated by using an ionized irradiation beam method. And it is possible to use the previous technology in the state as it is, for example, in the case of the electron beam radiation, the Kokuroft Walton type, Bandegraf type, resonance pressure change type, insulated core pressure change type, direct beam type, Dynamitron type, high frequency type, etc., it can be irradiated from different types of electron beam acceleration devices. And it is an electron beam that has an energy in the range of 50 ~ 1,000 KeV, and preferably, it is in the range of 100 ~ 300 KeV. And by using this beam in the range of 0.1 ~ 100 Mrad, and preferably, in the range of 1 ~ 10 Mrad, are irradiated and by that it is possible to cure the material. And also, in the case of the ultra-violet irradiation, by using the ultra-violet light beam that is generated from a light source like an ultra-high pressure mercury lamp, high pressure mercury lamp, carbon arc, xenone arc, metal halide lamp etc., a radiation in the range of 0.1 ~ 10,000 mJ/cm², preferably, in the range of 10 ~ 1,000 mJ/cm², is generated and by that it is possible to accomplish the cure.

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[0024]

[Practical example]

Here below, a practical example of the manufacturing method for the preparation of a diffraction lattice, according to the present invention, will be explained.

Practical Example 1

As a high refraction coefficient polymer layer, polystyrene (PSt, $nd=1.592$) and as a low refraction coefficient polymer layer polyhydroxyethylmethacrylate (PHEMA, $nd=1.46$) were used, and a multilayer polymer layer film was manufactured, where light with wavelengths in the range of 800 nm ~ 2000 nm, was diffracted, and it was formed as each layer thickness contained 20 combinations of high and low refractive coefficient polymer layers and by a 0.033 pitch layer thickness in the range of 0.129 microns ~ 0.327 microns space.

[0025]

Here, the polystyrene, which was a commercially available material with a molecular weight of 100,000 (manufactured by Denka Company), was prepared as a 5 % dioxane solution (viscosity : 10.0 cps), and the PHEMA was a synthesize material with a molecular weight of 100,000, and it was prepared as a 7 % methanol solution (viscosity : 12.3 cps), and they were coated. Moreover, for the PHEMA, it was synthesized by a radical polymerization as the concentration of the monomer in the methanol solution was 30 %, and 0.1 % of an initiation agent (V-65: manufactured by Shoko Junyaku Company) was used.

[0026]

For each of the coating thicknesses, the spin coating conditions of the PHEMA, are according to the shown here below table.

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 2,4,5 -tribromophenolmethacrylate 150
 weight parts
 (manufactured by Shoko Junyaku Industries)
 dipentaerithritolpentaacrylate
 (Satoma-399: manufactured by Satoma Company) 5 weight parts

viscosity : 10 cps, refraction coefficient: 1.58

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urethane acrylate (PR-202:manufactured by Mitsubishi Kasei Company) 50 weight parts
 2,4,5 -tribromophenolmethacrylate 150
 weight parts
 (manufactured by Shoko Junyaku Industries)
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viscosity : 10 cps, refraction coefficient: 1.58

Low refraction index polymer layer

urethane acrylate (PR-202:manufactured by Mitsubishi Kasei Company) 50 weight parts

index polymer layer and the low refraction index polymer layer are coated in order and by that they are laminated. And because of that, a laminated layer is obtained where the spaces between the layers are different and by that it is possible to easily manufacture a diffraction lattice with a wide range of diffraction wavelengths.

[0024]

[Practical example]

Here below, a practical example of the manufacturing method for the preparation of a diffraction lattice, according to the present invention, will be explained.

Practical Example 1

As a high refraction coefficient polymer layer, polystyrene (PSt, $nd=1.592$) and as a low refraction coefficient polymer layer polyhydroxyethylmethacrylate (PHEMA, $nd=1.46$) were used, and a multilayer polymer layer film was manufactured, where light with wavelengths in the range of 800 nm ~ 2000 nm, was diffracted, and it was formed as each layer thickness contained 20 combinations of high and low refractive coefficient polymer layers and by a 0.033 pitch layer thickness in the range of 0.129 microns ~ 0.327 microns space.

[0025]

Here, the polystyrene, which was a commercially available material with a molecular weight of 100,000 (manufactured by Denka Company), was prepared as a 5 % dioxane solution (viscosity : 10.0 cps), and the PHEMA was a synthesize material with a molecular weight of 100,000, and it was prepared as a 7 % methanol solution (viscosity : 12.3 cps), and they were coated. Moreover, for the PHEMA, it was synthesized by a radical polymerization as the concentration of the monomer in the methanol solution was 30 %, and 0.1 % of an initiation agent (V-65: manufactured by Shoko Junyaku Company) was used.

[0026]

For each of the coating thicknesses, the spin coating conditions of the PHEMA, are according to the shown here below table.

[0027]

2,2,3,3-tetrafluoropropylacrylate 150 weight
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viscosity : 8 cps, refraction coefficient: 1.47

The conditions of the spin coating for each of the different layer thicknesses of the high refractive index and the low refractive index materials, are shown according to the table here below.

[0030]

層厚 1 (μ m)	P S t (r pm)	PHEMA (r pm)
0. 129	625	1331
0. 162	400	852
0. 195	278	592
0. 228	204	435
0. 261	156	332
0. 294	123	262
0. 327	100	213

1. layer thickness, 2. high refractive index material, 3. low refractive index material

Regarding each layer, after the spin coating, it was irradiated with 5 Mrad by using an electron beam (device manufactured by ESI company) and by that it was cured and a polymer layer was obtained. Regarding each of the layer thicknesses, the high refractive index layer and the low refractive index layer were mutually combined in 10 groups and laminated in order, and by that the diffraction lattice was manufactured.

[0031]

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[0032]

[Results from the invention]

As it is clear from the above described, according to the manufacturing method for the preparation of a diffraction lattice according to the present invention, it is manufactured as a layer that is formed from 2 or more polymers with different refraction indices so that the refraction indices are repeated in the order :relatively high - low. And the laminated film is obtained as the high refraction index polymer layers and the low refractive index polymer layers are coated in that order. Because of the fact that it is a laminated layer film where the thickness of the space between the layers, is varied, it is possible to have a range of the refracted wavelengths.

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In more detail, for example, it is possible to diffract at wavelengths in the range of 800 nm ~ 2000 nm. In this case, it becomes a good heat rays reflecting layer, which is permeable to the visible light, but reflects the heat rays. Such a layer reflecting the heat rays can be used in automobile and housing construction windows, and by that it is possible to reduce the increase of the temperature inside cars and houses.

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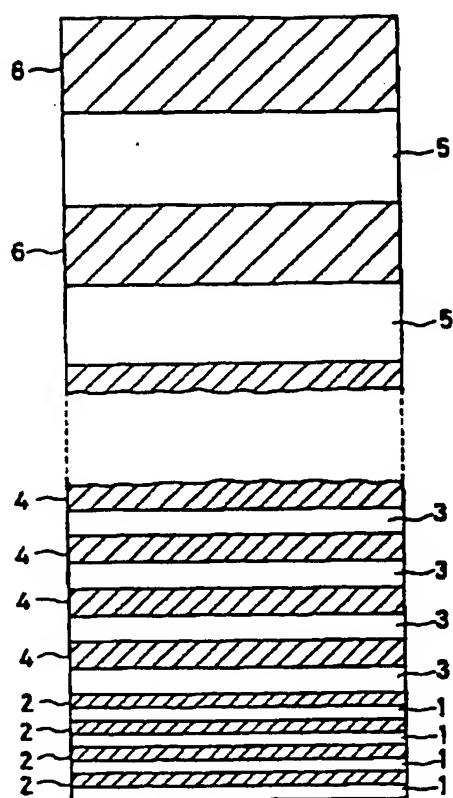
In Figure 2:

on the vertical axis - diffraction coefficient

on the horizontal axis - diffraction wavelength

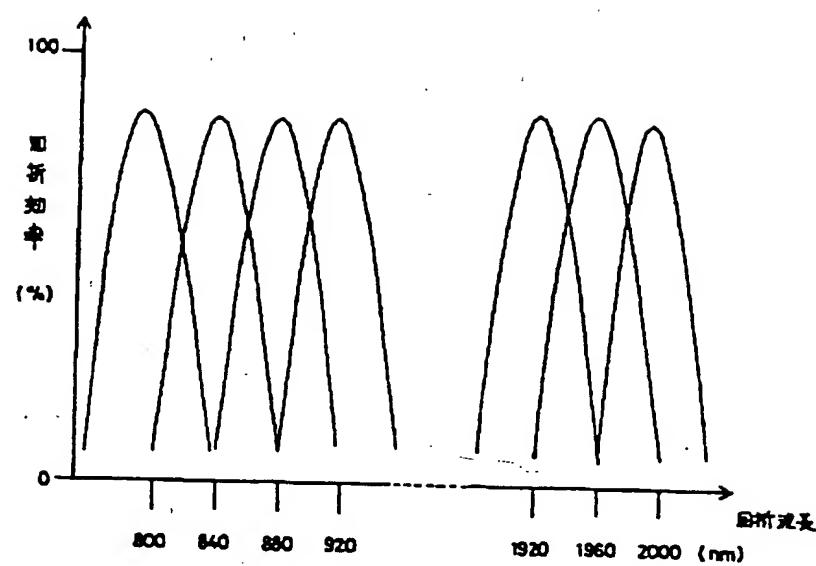
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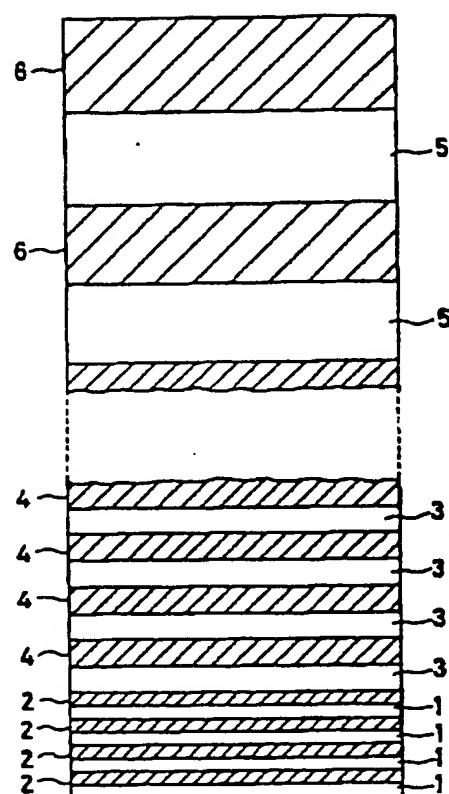


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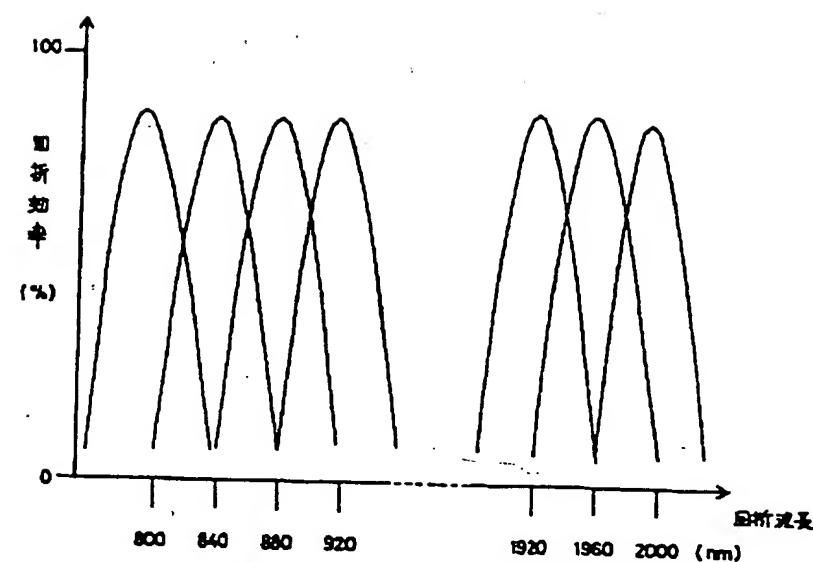


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